Mr. A. B. Salem.—I did not raise any objection because there were so many motions, and it was superfluous to raise that. But to come forward with a communication tantamounting to a ruling will be rather a ruling which is not based on any Rule or Order.

President.—I think the proper course would be to stop it as it traverses the limits of the Council. That will be the proper way.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I request that those motions may be put down now, and if we wait, there will be no time for printing.

President.—The only thing is that the President must be on his guard regarding discussion.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—Regarding the allowing of motions, of course, there are certain restrictions under which motions can be sent in and discussed in the Council. Now the point raised by the Member for Jews is that Members have got the right to send in cut motions even on forbidden subjects.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—No.

President.—They don't say that. If, in the course of the discussion, they make reference to forbidden subjects, then it will be pointed out from the Chair and the Member asked not to speak on it.

Presentation of the Budget for 1105 M. E.

President.—The next item is the presentation of the budget for the year 1105 by the Finance Member.

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—Sir, it has once more fallen to my lot to place before the Legislative Council the budget estimate for 1105 M. E. In order to have a clearer conception of the financial position, it has been customary—a very desirable custom, I think—to review the transactions of the past year the final figures of which have become available, and then, before dealing with the programme for the coming year, to examine, as far as is known to us, the transactions of the current year based on the figures for seven months which alone were available at the time of the preparation of these statements, but duly revised with reference to all known factors that may affect the figures for the last part of the year. With these as my background, I propose to give a general sketch of the salient features of the estimate of our resources for the coming year, the demands which our existing commitments will make upon those resources as also of the further demands on them consequent on the proposed expansion of the present activities and the new developments in various Departments which have all been incorporated in the budget estimate now before you. The memorandum which has already been circulated will, I venture to hope, give all further details and explanations that may be found necessary. If still there are any points on which more information or further

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elucidation is required, I might assure the House that my services are entirely at their disposal and I shall only be too glad to render whatever assistance that is required of me in this direction.

Accounts of 1103.

Though the budget estimates of revenue and expenditure for the year 1103, viz., Rs. 74,68,900 and Rs. 72,75,800 were expected to result in a surplus of Rs. 1,93,100 only, the actual transactions of the year, however, resulted in an increased surplus of Rs. 19,10,165, the total revenue and expenditure having been Rs. 86,24,293 and Rs. 67,14,128 respectively, thus showing an improvement of Rs. 17,17,065 in the surplus which was more or less anticipated when reviewing the revised estimates of 1103 at this time last year. I then said: "According to the revised estimates, the total revenue is fixed at Rs. 83,77,500 and the total expenditure is expected to be Rs. 71,83,600 thus raising the anticipated surplus to Rs. 11,93,900". The enhanced revenue was mainly brought about by the increase from 'Customs' under the Interportal Trade Convention, under 'Interest' owing to the collection of arrears and under 'Railway' on account of the increased traffic, while the fall from the anticipated expenditure was chiefly due to the fact that for several reasons the full budgetted programme of works could not be carried out in either the Agriculture and Panchayat or the Forests or the Public Works Departments. Other Departments also contributed to this decrease and I do not think it is necessary to dilate on this topic much further.

The State had, at the end of the year, a net asset of Rs. 75,81,753 after making due provision for all liabilities as against Rs. 56,71,588 at the beginning of the year. There were no loans outstanding at the beginning of the year nor were any fresh loans raised in the course of the year.

With these preliminary observations let me turn to the working of the current year.

Revised estimates of 1104.

The budget of the year, which is fast coming to a close, was framed on the expectation of realising a revenue of Rs. 77,06,200 and it provided for an aggregate expenditure of Rs. 74,16,400 leaving a surplus of Rs. 2,89,800. It is a matter for satisfaction that the revised estimate shows an improvement of Rs. 10,82,200 in revenue, the total revenue which is expected to be realised by the end of the year being Rs. 87,88,400. An increase in expenditure of Rs. 91,800 is, on the other hand, anticipated thus raising the total disbursements to Rs. 75,08,200.

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APPENDIX I.

MEMORANDUM
EXPLAINING
THE DETAILS OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES OF 1105 M. E.

CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION.

The following are some of the important changes in classification made in the budget estimate of 1105 to suit the present requirements.—

1. Under 'IV Stamps' two new sub-heads of receipts have been opened to exhibit the receipts on account of the sale of "Foreign Bill Stamps" and "Notarial Stamps".

2. Under 'IX Forests' separate heads have been opened to exhibit distinctly the receipts on account of the timber brought down by 'Tramway' and by 'other means.'

3. A new sub-head "Traffic for the Forest Department" has been opened under 'X Tramway' to show the receipts thereof.

4. In order to exhibit the receipts obtained by issue of brake certificates, licenses, etc., under the Motor Vehicles Regulation, a new sub-head has been opened under 'XVII Police.—A Police Proper'—'Receipts under the Motor Vehicles Regulation.'

5. On account of the provision for the training of clerks in Treasury and Account work, a separate sub-head has been opened therefor under 'Land Revenue—Temporary Establishment.'

6. Two new sub-heads are proposed under 'III. Co-operative Societies' for noting the new provisions made towards (a) Grants to Supervising Unions and (b) For Training of clerks in the Madras Provincial Co-operative Union.

7. As under Receipts, separate sub-heads have been opened under 'IX Forests' to exhibit the expenditure on account of the removal of timber (i) by Tramway and (ii) by other means.

8. Under 'Forests' again, another sub-head has been opened to show the provision for the proposed training of candidates at Dehra Dun.

9. Under 'XVII Police' two new sub-heads are proposed, one as 'Temporary Establishment' and the other for "The Traffic staff."

10. Two sub-heads have been opened under 'XXVII Public Works' for noting the provisions made for the Trichur and Aiylur Water Supply.

11. A fresh sub-head 'Rent' is proposed under "XXXI.—Uplift of the Depressed Classes" for showing the expenditure to be incurred on that account.

ABSTRACT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

The following statement which comprises the current year's budget and the revised estimates as also the budget estimates of the ensuing year brings out the general position.—

	Budget stimate 1104 Rs.	Revised estimate 1104 Rs.	Budget estimate 1105 Rs.
Revenue	77,06,200	87,88,400	86,09,100
Expenditure	74,16,400	75,08,200	85,36,000
Surplus or deficit	+ 2,89,800	+ 12,80,200	+ 73,100

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The budget estimate of 1104 was so framed as to leave a surplus of Rs. 2,89,800 after the year's transactions. The revised estimate, however, shows an improvement of Rs. 10,82,200 in revenue and an increase of Rs. 91,800 in expenditure thus raising the anticipated surplus from Rs. 2,89,800 to Rs. 12,80,200. The enhanced revenue is mainly contributed by 'Customs', 'Forests', 'Tramway' and 'Railway'.

REVISED ESTIMATES OF 1104.

RECEIPTS.

Land Revenue.—The revised estimate exceeds the budget estimate of Rs. 12,09,100 by Rs. 35,500 mainly on account of the larger amount fetched by the sale of lands under 'Capital' and under 'Quit Rent' due to the revision of rates as also of the collection of arrears. The enhanced revenue expected under 'Inland Fisheries' also contributes to the same.

Salt.—As compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 5,52,400, the revised estimate anticipates an increase of Rs. 21,600 mainly on account of the larger consumption of salt.

Stamps anticipates an increase in revenue of Rs. 6,900 over the budget estimate of Rs. 6,53,500 mainly on account of the larger sale of stamps.

Customs.—The budget estimate was fixed at a moderate figure of Rs. 9,00,000 only as a matter of caution ; but the actual realised under the Interportal Trade Convention during the current year has come to Rs. 14.43,747 somewhat less than what was obtained last year.

Abkari and Ganja (Rs. 11,39,100) anticipates an increase in revenue of Rs. 36,200 over the budget estimate chiefly on account of increased collections.

Opium.—The revised estimate is fixed at Rs. 1,23,400, as against the budget estimate of Rs. 1,14,600 the increase being mainly due to the large amount under 'Rebate of duty.'

Tobacco.—The budget estimate for 1104 was fixed at Rs. 2,72,300 while the revised estimate falls short of it by Rs. 6,600 due mainly to the decreased collection under 'Arrears'.

Forests.—The revised estimate under 'Forests' is fixed at Rs. 6,65,300 thus exceeding the budget estimate by Rs. 1,43,100 mainly on account of the higher amounts fetched in auction sale of forest growths from exclusions and larger realisation of arrears and interest on delayed payments.

Tramway anticipates an increase in revenue of Rs. 1,28,000 over the budget estimate of Rs. 15,000 due mainly to the adjustment of the transport charges of the timber carried for the Forest Department under the new system of accounting.

Interest.—The revised estimate is fixed at Rs. 2,14,300 only against the budget estimate of Rs. 2,47,300 based more or less on the actual figures.

Anchal.—The revised estimate is fixed at Rs. 88,000 thus exceeding the budget estimate by Rs. 5,500 due to the larger sale of Anchal and Service stamps.

Jails.—As compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 15,300, the revised estimate shows a decrease of Rs. 3,500 mainly on account of the smaller orders for manufactured articles received from the Medical Department.

Police.—An increase of Rs. 2,900 over the budget estimate of Rs. 12,800 is anticipated mainly on account of the increased receipts under the Motor Vehicles Regulation.

Education anticipates a decrease of Rs. 13,400 as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 3,17,000 chiefly due to reduction in strength and increase of half-fee concessions.

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Public Works.—Mainly due to the increased receipts under 'Tolls' the revised estimate is expected to exceed the budget estimate of Rs. 1,98,400 by Rs. 30,600.

Railway is expected to bring in an enhanced revenue of Rs. 1,70,000 over the budget estimate of Rs. 12,30,000 chiefly on account of the increase in traffic.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Land Revenue.—The revised estimate (Rs. 2,41,200) exceeds the budget estimate by Rs. 6,600 mainly on account of the raising of the minimum pay of menials to Rs. 10.

Co-operative.—The slight increase of Rs. 1,600 in the revised estimate over the budget estimate of Rs. 14,500 is chiefly on account of the enhanced travelling allowance for the Registrar's trip to Simla to attend the Co-operative Conference.

Stamps anticipates a decrease of Rs. 4,400 as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 63,900 mainly due to the reduced expenditure incurred for the purchase of stamps.

Forests.—A large increase in expenditure of Rs. 1,05,900 is expected over the budget estimate of Rs. 2,16,900 mainly due to the provision for the transport charges by Tramway for adjustment to that head. Under 'Demarcation and Survey' as well as under 'Elephants' the revised estimates fall short of the budget allotments, the former due to less works undertaken and the latter to less amounts spent for occasional treatment.

Registration.—The revised estimate exceeds the budget estimate of Rs. 68,900 by Rs. 3,100 mainly on account of leave allowances and the enhanced minimum pay of the menials.

General Administration.—Under 'Huzur Secretariat' there is an increase of Rs. 1,945 over the budget estimate owing to the entertainment of a Special Officer and clerk in connection with the report of the Special Finance Committee, while under 'Legislative Council' there is a similar increase of Rs. 2,303 over the budget estimate of Rs. 15,599 mainly due to the additional travelling allowance which had to be paid on account of the Special Session in Kanni. The total of the revised estimate under 'General Administration' exceeds the budget estimate of Rs. 1,10,900 by Rs. 4,800.

Accounts and Finance.—Under 'Temporary Establishment' an increase of Rs. 1,222 is anticipated over the budget estimate of Rs. 4,293 mainly on account of the extension of the term of Special Officer for compiling the Local Audit Manual and the entertainment of a temporary auditor for budget work as usual which were not provided for. The total of the revised estimate exceeds the budget estimate of Rs. 42,200 only by Rs. 300 due to savings under other heads.

Law and Justice.—Mainly on account of the raising of the minimum pay of the menials an increase of Rs. 2,000 is expected in the revised estimate (Rs. 2,53,500) over the budget estimate of Rs. 2,51,500.

Jails.—Under 'Jails—Manufacture' a decrease of Rs. 1,500 is expected as compared with the budget estimate owing to smaller orders and the consequent reduction in the quantity of raw materials purchased.

Police anticipates a decrease of Rs. 5,000 as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 1,97,000 mainly due to savings on account of the non-filling of short-leave vacancies and the stoppage of water allowance to the officers at Mattancheri consequent on the supply of the Alwaye water to the town.

Education expects a decrease of Rs. 20,800 as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 13,09,100 mainly on account of savings under 'Establishment.'

Charities.—As compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 52,600 the revised estimate shows an increase of Rs. 43,900 mainly on account of the

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Contribution for water supply made on the occasion of His Highness' 70th Birthday.

Medical.—The revised estimate (Rs. 3,22,700) falls short of the budget estimate by Rs. 10,800 mainly on account of savings under 'Establishment' due to the non-entertainment of all the temporary hands provided for in the budget estimate besides the non-filling of some vacancies and of the reduced expenditure under 'Dietary charges,' 'Bedding and clothing,' etc.

Pension and Gratuity is responsible for an increase of Rs. 4,200 over the budget estimate of Rs. 1,87,600 mainly due to the grant of enhanced pensions to the inferior servants according to His Highness' Birthday announcement.

Military contributes to a decrease of Rs. 2,400 as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 1,04,500 due to the non-utilisation of the full provision of Rs. 4,000 made for the purchase of troop horses.

Public Works anticipates a saving of Rs. 1,07,200 out of the budget allotment of Rs. 14,30,000 due to the non-utilisation of a major portion of the amount provided under 'Irrigation' in the current year.

Scientific, etc., Departments.—The revised estimate is fixed at Rs. 1,24,900 as against the budget allotment of Rs. 1,19,800 the excess of Rs. 5,100 being due to the increased expenditure which had to be incurred under 'Stoneware Factory' towards the adjustment of the cost of fuel and under 'Zoo'.

Uplift of the Depressed Classes.—An increase of Rs. 17,800 over the budget allotment of Rs. 55,500 is expected due to the high acquisition charges of the Ullada Colony at Nettur, increased grants-in-aid to colonies, construction of a larger number of Bhajana Mutts, increased cost of feeding pulaya pupils, supply of school materials, etc.

Miscellaneous anticipates an increase of Rs. 44,600 over the budget estimate of Rs. 87,300 on account of the increased expenditure under 'Subscriptions and Donations' and 'Entertainment of State Guests' as also due to the appointment of a Special Officer and staff for Harbour and Railways besides the recent flood relief operations for which a sum of Rs. 10,000 has been estimated under "Miscellaneous and unforeseen charges".

BUDGET ESTIMATES OF 1105.

RECEIPTS.

Land Revenue.—The budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 12,22,100 thus falling short of the revised estimate by Rs. 22,500. The special circumstances under which the increased revised estimate is anticipated have already been explained.

Salt.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 5,74,000, the budget estimate anticipates a decrease of Rs. 15,600 based more or less on the average of the actuals of previous years.

Stamps.—The budget estimate (Rs. 6,65,100) has been prepared on the basis on the average of the last few years and hence the increase as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 6,60,400.

Customs.—The budget estimate for 1105 is fixed at Rs. 12,00,000 only against the revised estimate of Rs. 14,43,700 as a matter of caution.

Abkari & Ganja.—The budget estimate for 1105 is fixed at Rs. 12,54,600 as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 11,39,100 based on the auction sales of the toddy and arrack shops.

Opium.—As against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,23,400 the budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 1,26,900 on the basis of the auction sales.

Tobacco.—Compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 2,65,700 the budget is estimated at Rs. 3,14,900. This also is based on the result of the auction sales.

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Forests anticipates a decrease of Rs. 56,500 as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 6,65,300. The increase in the revised estimate has already been explained.

Under '**Tramway**' the budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 1,31,900, the main item representing the amount expected to be adjusted by the Forest Department towards the transport of timber by Tramway and the balance the normal revenue.

Interest.--As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 2,14,300 the budget estimate anticipates an increase of Rs. 78,900 based on the actual investments.

Education.—(Rs. 3,15,000) anticipates an increase in receipt of Rs. 11,400 over the revised estimate mainly due to the increase expected in the number of pupils.

Public Works.—The budget estimate anticipates a decrease of Rs. 12,400 as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 2,29,000, the decrease being chiefly under 'Toll receipts' and 'Contribution in aid of Public Works' which are fluctuating items.

Railway.—The budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 13,00,000 based more or less on the actuals of the previous year.

Scientific, etc, Departments.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 7,200 the budget estimate anticipates an excess of Rs. 19,000 the increase being under 'Stoneware Factory' due to the fact that manufacture on a larger scale is proposed to be undertaken next year.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Land Revenue:—As against the revised estimate of Rs. 2,41,200 the budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 2,44,300 the increase being mainly under 'Establishment'. As the budget provision of Rs. 5,000 in the current year for sending candidates for training in pisciculture could not be utilised in this year, a similar provision is made for next year. To meet the increased work in the Diwan Peishkar's Office the appointment of a temporary clerk on Rs. 45 has been sanctioned for a period of 6 months from the closing days of Edavam 1104 and the provision of Rs. 209 represents the amount required for payment next year. Lump provisions of Rs. 500 and of Rs. 300 have also been made for getting trained a graduate in Survey and two clerks in Treasury and Account work. The provision of Rs. 2,080 under 'Office Expenses' is towards lighting charges, binding charges, subscription to periodicals, purchase of clocks, etc., while that of Rs. 1,456 under 'Miscellaneous' is on account of conveyance of tapals and jamabandy records, search fees on agriculture loan cases, clock winding charges at Trichur, binding charges of gazettes, watering charges of plantations in village office compounds, etc. Under 'Rents' a provision of Rs. 1,815 has been made against the revised estimate of Rs. 397 to meet the extra charges on account of the proposed transfer of village offices now held in private buildings to rented ones. For the better safety of the village records and in order to provide free access to all castes the practice of holding village offices in private buildings seems to be objectionable and hence the proposed increase.

Agriculture and Panchayats.—The budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 3,44,500, i. e., Rs. 26,800 more than the revised estimate of the current year. Under 'Travelling Allowance' an excess of Rs. 1,100 over the revised estimate of Rs. 4,000 is provided chiefly on account of the filling up of the posts of two Inspectors with the consequent increased travelling. The enhanced provision under 'Instrument and accessories' is for equipping the Laboratory, the building for which was under construction in the current year. The provision of Rs. 1,215 under 'Agriculture-Miscellaneous' is towards the stipend to the student in Poona, demonstration, subscription to journals,

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etc., while that of Rs. 6,550 under 'Central Farm-Miscellaneous' is for lighting charges, repair of roads and fences, silt clearing tanks and wells, purchase and repair of vessels, etc. The main gardens that have to be maintained with the allotment of Rs. 27,679 are the Hill Palace Gardens, the Tullocks Gardens, the Spring Field and Elkhill Gardens. The provision of Rs. 2,300 under 'Cocoanut Station—other charges' is towards casual labour, cattle food, manure, fencing, etc. Under 'Avenue—other charges' a provision of Rs. 8,000 is made for new plantings, weeding charges, purchase of implements, etc. The provision of Rs. 1,600 under 'Veterinary Hospitals—Miscellaneous' is for purchase of instruments, bazaar drugs, etc.

Co-operative.—Only the usual provision of Rs. 4,200 has been made under 'Travelling Allowance', the increased revised estimate having been due to special circumstances already explained. The enhanced provision under 'Purchase of furniture' is towards the supply of the necessary tables, chairs, almirahs, etc., to all the Inspectors. Following other States, it is proposed to encourage the starting of Supervising Unions and as a preliminary step a provision of Rs. 1,200 has been made for giving grants to four such unions. It is proposed to get trained the senior clerks of the Co-operative Registrar's Office in the Institute at Madras so that there may not be dearth of duly trained hands when vacancies occur in the Inspectorate and hence the provision of Rs. 500 for the purpose. The provision under 'Office expenses' is towards subscriptions to journals, lighting charges, etc.

Excise.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 2,99,000 the budget estimate anticipates an increase of Rs. 4,600 the increase being distributed under 'Purchase of salt', 'Transport charges of opium and ganja,' etc. The provision of Rs. 1,200 under 'Office expenses' is towards lighting charges, conveyance charges, etc., and that of Rs. 3,100 under 'Miscellaneous' is for charges for marking trees, purchase of a weighing machine, maintenance of revenue defaulters in jails, shifting of Narakkal Fish-curing yard, etc.

Forests.—The budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 3,75,800 thus exceeding the revised estimate of Rs. 3,22,800 by Rs. 53,000. This increase is mainly contributed by the more extensive operations anticipated next year and the provision made for sending two students for training in Forestry to Dehra Dun. The provision of Rs. 650 under 'Office expenses' is towards lighting charges, conveyance of records and other sundry expenses.

Tramway.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 1,12,000, the budget estimate shows an increase of Rs. 17,900 the increase being chiefly due to the provision for the purchase of locomotives, increased allotment for repairs to bridges, etc.

Registration.—The budget estimate (Rs. 70,300) falls short of the revised estimate only by Rs. 1,700, the increase in the latter being due to leave allowance. Under 'Temporary Establishment' besides the usual allotment, provision has been made for an additional clerk for the Vadakkancheri Registry Office from 1st Chingam 1105 to meet the increased work there. The provision under 'Office expenses' is for lighting charges, binding charges, etc., while that under 'Miscellaneous' is for the purchase of special registration inks, conveyance charges of register volumes, tapals, etc.

Anchal.—The provision of Rs. 1,300 under 'Office expenses' is towards lighting charges, express and special mail charges, purchase of cash bags, etc. Provision has also been made for 4 additional anchalmen to meet the demands of the Department.

General Administration.—The budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 1,14,600 which does not vary much from the revised estimate of Rs. 1,15,700.

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(i) *Huzur Secretariat.*—Under 'Temporary Establishment' provision has been made for the continuance of the special clerk and typist lent to the Merry Lodge Palace for compiling old records; provision has also been made for the Karkadagam pay of the Special Officer and the typist entertained in the current year for the revision of the P. W. Code, Standing Orders, Land Revenue Manual, etc. The increased allotment under 'Liveries and Clothing' is due to the fact that belts and cummerbands have to be renewed in the forthcoming year. The provision under 'Office expenses' is towards the allowances of the Record Box Carrier and the Central Records Masapadi, lighting charges, etc., while that under 'Miscellaneous' is for bonus to the typists and clerks in connection with Legislative Council work, allowance for the Huzur Tennis Court and other unforeseen charges.

(ii) *Special Palace Office.*—The enhanced provision of Rs. 545 as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 25 under 'Miscellaneous' is on account of the provision for the purchase of a type-writer and accessories.

(iii) *Legislative Council Office.*—The allotment of Rs. 27 under 'Temporary Establishment' is towards the allowance now being given to some clerks in connection with a Legislative Committee work. The increased allotment under 'Liveries and Clothing' is, as in the former case, for renewal of belts and cummerbands.

Accounts and Finance.—As a necessary complement to the compilation of the Local Audit Manual which was done in the current year it is proposed to have Departmental Account Codes for those offices which have no such codes to guide their work .and hence provision has been made for deputing the Senior Assistant Comptroller of Accounts for this work for a period of six months. This is the only provision which needs explanation.

Law and Justice.—The increased provision under 'A.—Law Department—Miscellaneous' is for the purchase of type-writers to the 'Offices of Sirkar Vakils' while that under 'T. A.' is for the Anjikaimal Sirkar Vakil to go to Madras and Mangalore to examine witnesses on commission. The provision of Rs. 1,550 under '(1) Chief Court—Office expenses' is towards the purchase of a type-writer, renewal of belts and badges, railway fare for prisoners, fees to defend poor prisoners, printing judgments in criminal cases, etc., while that of Rs. 1,500 under 'District Courts—Office expenses and Miscellaneous' is for the purchase of Law books, subscription to the Indian Law Reports, for a type-writer to the Anjikaimal District Court, fees to Vakils to defend poor prisoners in Sessions cases, etc. Again, the provision of Rs. 1,250 under 'Munsiffs' Courts—Miscellaneous' is for the purchase of Law Books to the different Munsiffs' Courts, lighting charges, etc., while that of Rs. 550 for 'Office expenses' under 'Criminal Justice' is for the purchase of a type-writer to the District Magistrate's Court, lighting charges, etc. Under 'Miscellaneous' the allotment of Rs. 1,350 is towards rent, subscription to Law Periodicals, punkah coolies for the courts, trainage and diet of prisoners sent to foreign territories on extradition, purchase of Law Books, etc.

Jails.—The budgt estimate exceeds the revised estimate of Rs. 40,500 by Rs. 2,300 the increase being due to a lump provision of Rs. 3,000 made for giving effect to the recommendations of the Jail Committee. The provision of Rs. 3,000 under 'Central Jail—Miscellaneous' is for lighting charges, purchase of medicines, purchase and repair of furniture, etc. The provision of Rs. 545 under 'Sub-Jails—Miscellaneous' is also towards the cost of medicines, lighting charges, etc.

Police.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 1,92,900, the budget estimate for 1105 shows an increase of Rs. 9,000. The increase is mainly due to the provision made for the entertainment of traffic staff and probationary Sub-Inspectors.

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Education.—The budget estimate for the next year is fixed at Rs. 13,70,000 as against the revised estimate of Rs. 12,88,400. The increase is mainly under' Secondary Education—Boys' and 'Primary Education-Boys' due to the provision made for the opening of additional divisions and classes and for grant-in-aid to new schools and classes. Under 'Collegiate Education' a lump of provision of Rs. 4,000 has been made for strengthening the staff and a sum of Rs. 6,000 has been provided for special grant to the St. Thoma's College and the St. Teresa's College. A lump provision of Rs. 3,600 has also been made for the opening of the Language Department and re-grouping of the subjects in the College. Under 'Secondary Education—Boys' a lump provision of Rs. 1,440 is made for the entertainment of four Hindi teachers.. The provision of Rs. 1,540 under 'Collegiate Education—Miscellaneous' and 'Office expenses' is towards the printing charges of examination papers, College Calendar, Library Catalogue, etc. The provisions under 'Secondary Education—Miscellaneous' are for the purchase of paper for examination purposes and for other sundry expenses.

Medical.—The budget estimate (Rs. 3,28,700) anticipates an excess of Rs. 6,000 over the revised estimate, the increase being mainly under' Temporary Establishment' due to the provision made for one store-clerk and two packers newly entertained for the General Hospital and one clerk for the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer's Office to cope with the increased work. The non-entertainment of all the additional hands provided for in the current year also contributes to the excess under the head as compared with the revised estimate. Though all arrears outstanding towards the cost of medicines referred to in the previous budgets have been paid up in the current year, a provision of Rs. 90,000 has been made in the budget estimate under 'Cost of medicines, etc.' which is in excess of the usual provision exclusive of arrears by Rs. 15,000. This is due to the increase in the number of patients in the several hospitals and the consequent necessity for increased quantity of medicines. The same reason holds good in regard to the increased provision under 'Dietary charges'. The provision of Rs. 7,750 under 'Miscellaneous' is for washing, lighting charges, etc., and also includes a sum of Rs. 750 for completing the construction of a laundry in the General Hospital. Provision has also been made for the opening of three more rural dispensaries next year at Vadavukode, Cheruvirutti and Kumbalam.

Sanitation and Conservancy.—The budget estimate exceeds the revised estimate of Rs. 49,800 by Rs. 10,000, the increase being due to larger provision for town improvement works.

Pension and gratuity.—The budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 2,11,800 as against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,91,800. The increase is mainly due to the expected retirement of highly paid officers and also owing to the removal of the distinction between inferior and superior service for purposes of pension as per His Highness' Birthday Boons.

Stationery and Printing.—The budget estimate exceeds the revised estimate of Rs. 95,700 by Rs. 6,600, the increase being mainly under ' Purchase of stationery articles ' due to the provision made for larger supply and for payment of the balance cost of the articles purchased in the current year. The provision of Rs. 2,000 under ' Printing—Office expenses' is for the purchase of kerosine oil, fuel, charges for the supply of electric current, etc., and that of Rs. 1,300 under ' Miscellaneous ' is for adjustment on account of service labels for despatch of Gazettes, railway freight for sending printed forms, cooly charges, etc.

Military.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 1,02,100 the budget estimate shows a decrease of Rs. 2,500 mainly due to the absence of any provision for the purchase of horses next year.

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Public Works.—The budget estimate under 'CivilEngineering' is fixed at Rs. 15,47,800 and that under 'Mechanical and Electrical Engineering' at Rs. 2,75,100 as against the revised estimates of Rs. 10,59,300 and Rs. 2,63,500 respectively. Larger provisions have been made under 'Communications,' 'Buildings' and 'Irrigation.' Under 'Buildings' a lump provision of Rs. 3,00,000 has been made for shifting the Maharaja's College to Anappara. The increase under 'Mechanical and Electrical Engineering' is chiefly due to a provision of Rs. 25,000 made for purchase of cars.

Scientific, etc., Departments.—The budget estimate for 1105 is fixed at Rs. 1,62,400 as against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,24,900, the increase being mainly under 'Industries'. The provision of Rs. 1,500 made under 'Ethnography' is towards the expenditure in connection with the publication of the Third Volume of the 'Cochin Tribes and Castes'. Under 'Museum—other charges' a provision of Rs. 1,000 has been made towards the conveyance allowance of the Honorary Superintendent, purchase of specimens, etc. The allotment of Rs. 10,325 provided under 'Zoo—other charges' is to cover the feeding charges of animals,repair of cages, purchase of animals, etc., and that of Rs. 100 under 'Gardens-other charges' is for the purchase of Lawn Mower and for other sundry expenses. Of the sum of Rs. 5,226 under 'Industrial Museum—other charges', Rs. 5,206 represent as explained last year the net deficit incurred in connection with the sale of the Kuthampilli cloths and this amount has to be written off by adjustment by debit to this head and credit to advances. Commercial class is proposed to be opened in the High School, Vadakkancheri, also. The provision or Rs. 320 made under 'Industries—Miscellaneous' includes a sum of Rs. 200 for developing silk rearing at Chalakkudi. A provision of Rs. 25,000 has been made for workshop equipment in the G. T. School, Trichur, with special provision for motor mechanic's course and electrical wireman's course and this mainly accounts for the large increase under 'Industries.' The provisions under 'Miscellaneous' in the several sections are for subscriptions to journals, lighting charges, service labels, rent, cleaning charges, etc. The increased provision under 'Stoneware Works' is due to the fact that manufacture on a bigger scale is proposed to be taken up in 1105.

Uplift of the Depressed Classes.—The budget estimate exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 11,500, the increase being mainly due to the larger provisions made for feeding and supply of school materials to Primary Boys and Girls and for grant-in-aid. A lump provision of Rs. 1,996 has been made for the opening of new schools and classes. The provision of Rs. 4,500 under 'A-Miscellaneous' includes tour charges, office rent, service labels, charges for the opening of Bhajana Mutts, burial grounds, etc.

Miscellaneous.—The budget estimate (Rs. 3,58,400) exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 2,26,500. The increase is due to the enhanced provision made under 'Entertainment of State Guests' to meet the expenses connected with the proposed visit of His Excellency the Viceroy and also on account of the lump provision of Rs. 2,50,000 made for the re-organisation of Departments after consideration of the SpecialFinance Committee's report.

The following is a list of the items of expenditure which have been newly provided for in the budget estimate of 1105 and which are not continuations of the existing temporary schemes.—

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Serial No.	Items	Provision Rs.
	1. Land Revenue.	
1	Survey Training to a graduate clerk	500
2	Training of two clerks in Treasury and Account work	300
	3. Co-operative Societies.	
3	Grants to Supervising Unions	1,200
4	Lump provision for training of clerks in the Madras Provincial Co-operative Union	500
	9. Forests.	
5	Stipends to two students for training at Dehra Dun	13,306
	14. Accounts and Finance.	
6	Special Officer for compiling Departmental Account Codes	1,500
	16. Jails.	
7	Lump provision for giving effect to the recommendations of the Jail Committee	3,000
	17. Police.	
8	Entertainment of Probationary Sub-Inspectors	960
9	Entertainment of Traffic Staff	4,000
	18. Education.	
10	Lump provision for strengthening the College staff	4,000
11	Lump provision for the opening of the Language Department and re-grouping of subjects in the College	3,600
12	Lump provision for the entertainment of four Hindi teachers	1,440
	21. Medical.	
13	Opening of three more Rural Dispensaries	1,800
	27. Public Works.	
14	Hydro-electric scheme	15,000
15	Lump provision for shifting the College to Anappara	3,00,000
16	Trichur water supply	30,000
17	Aiylore water supply	8,000
18	Purchase of a ten-ton steam Roller	10,000
19	Purchase of cars	25,000
20	Purchase of a 100 ton barge	25,000

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Serial No.	Items	Provision Rs.
	29. Scientific, etc., Department.	
21	Opening of Commercial class at Vadakkancheri	700
22	Developing silk rearing at Chalakkudi	200
23	Workshop equipment in the G. T. School, Trichur	25,000
	32. Miscellaneous.	
24	Lump provision for re-organisation of Departments	2,50,000

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K. KRISHNA PISHARODI,
Comptroller of Accounts and Finance Member.

APPENDIX II.

MINUTES OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Committee was summoned for a 3 days' meeting to consider the budget for 1105 M. E. and it met for the first day at 12-10 a. m., in the Diwan's Room, Huzur Office, on Wednesday, the 2nd of Karkadagam 1104 (17th of July 1929).

Present:—

1. M. R. Ry., Rao Bahadur T. S. Narayana Ayyar Avl., M. A., B. L., President.
2. ,, K. J. Antony Avl., B. A., B. L.
3. ,, K. Krishna Pisharodi Avl., B. A., B. Com., etc.
4. ,, P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan Avl.
5. Rama Varmha Tampuram, M. A., L. T., B. Sc., Bar-at-Law.
6. A. B. Salem Esquire, B. A., B. L.
7. M. R. Ry., T. K. Krishna Menon Avl., Convener.

I. Demands for supplementary grants were taken up first. They were (a) Rs. 1,900 under I—Land Revenue—Capital—Cranganur.

(b) Rs. 1,600 under XIII—Primary Education—Boys' School—Cranganur.

Both demands were passed.

II. A sum of Rs. 10,000, the President explained, would be required for flood relief operations. The Committee agreed to sanction this. The Diwan Peishkar will be requested to furnish such particulars about the nature of the reliefs required as could be gathered for the information of the Council.

III. At this stage, Mr. A. B. Salem raised a point of order, that, as Rama Varmha Tampuran has not been sworn in, he has no place in the Committee. The President ruled that, as the Standing Finance Committee is not a part of the Council, taking the oath is not a condition precedent for his taking part in the work of this Committee. Further, on a former occasion, a similar case arose and no objection was raised then.

IV. The consideration of the budget for 1105 was then taken up.

Mr. A. B. Salem pointed out that under I—Land Revenue, in the revised estimate for 1104, there is an increase which is not explained and for which no leave of the Council is taken. The President said that all Heads of Departments would hereafter be asked to send in their applications for additional allotments in time to be placed before the Standing Finance Committee and the Council.

The Committee rose at 5-5 p. m.

T. K. KRISHNA MENON,
Secretary to the Council and Convener

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